

# TWO STAGE STOCHASTIC MODELS FOR CONTRACTING DECISIONS OF AN INDUSTRIAL CONSUMER

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# MOTIVATION and OBJECTIVE

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## □ Motivation:

- ✓ Industrial consumers may negotiate with retailers price and format of the contracts they sign for supplying their energy needs
- ✓ Need for new mathematical tools for industrial consumers in liberalized markets

## □ Objective:

- ✓ Development of a decision support model for contracting and operation decisions in the medium term with the following features:
  - Integrated tool: contract and operation optimization and price generation modules
  - Single to parameterize models
  - Data easily available

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# DETERMINISTIC APPROACH

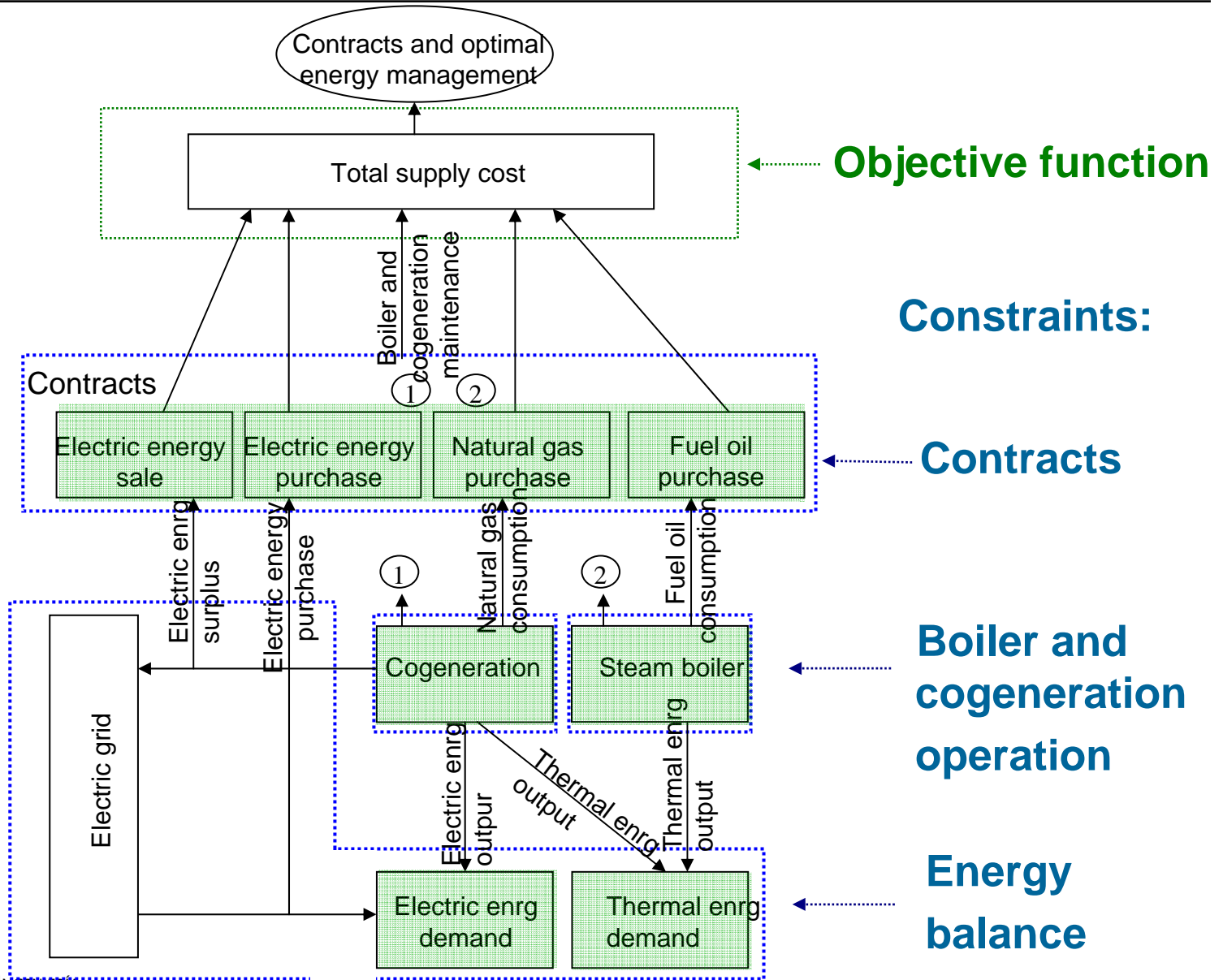
## General features

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- ❑ **Medium term energy management**
  - ✓ Minimization of the supply cost
- ❑ **Yearly scope**
- ❑ **Industrial consumer with thermal and electric demand**
  - ✓ Cogeneration
  - ✓ Steam boiler
- ❑ **Decisions**
  - ✓ Contracts for energy supply
  - ✓ Boiler and cogeneration operation

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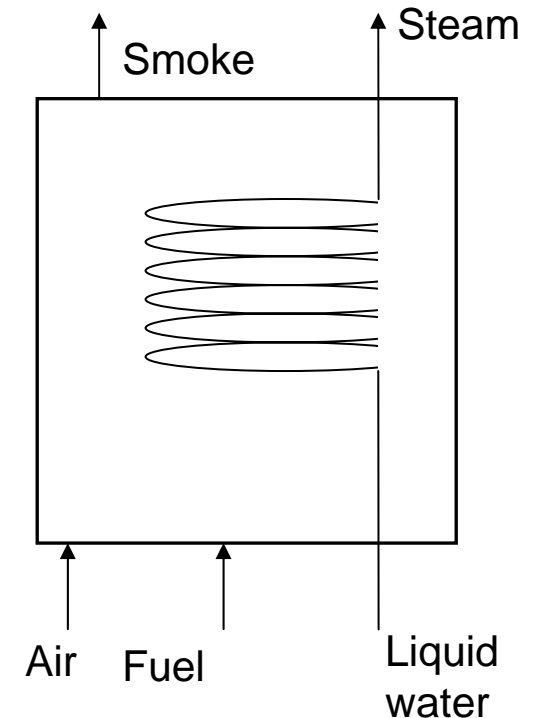
## General features



# DETERMINISTIC APPROACH

## Steam boiler

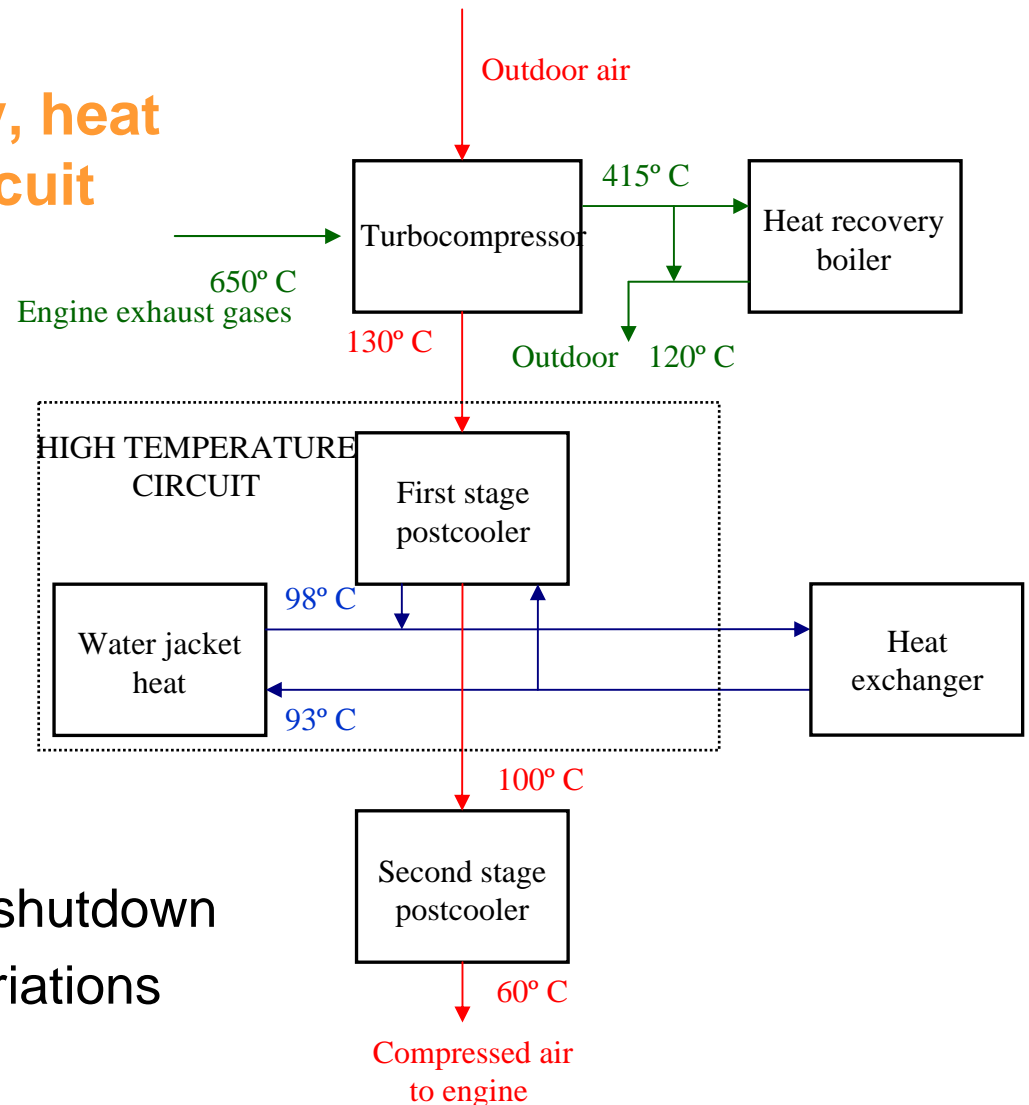
- ❑ Boiler fed by fuel oil
- ❑ Linear relation between fuel oil consumption and steam produced
- ❑ Operation limits
- ❑ Costs:
  - ✓ Fuel oil consumption
  - ✓ Operation cost per kg of fuel oil consumed
  - ✓ Yearly maintenance
- ❑ Simplifications:
  - ✓ Cost and time for startup and shutdown
  - ✓ Input and output enthalpies



# DETERMINISTIC APPROACH

## Cogeneration

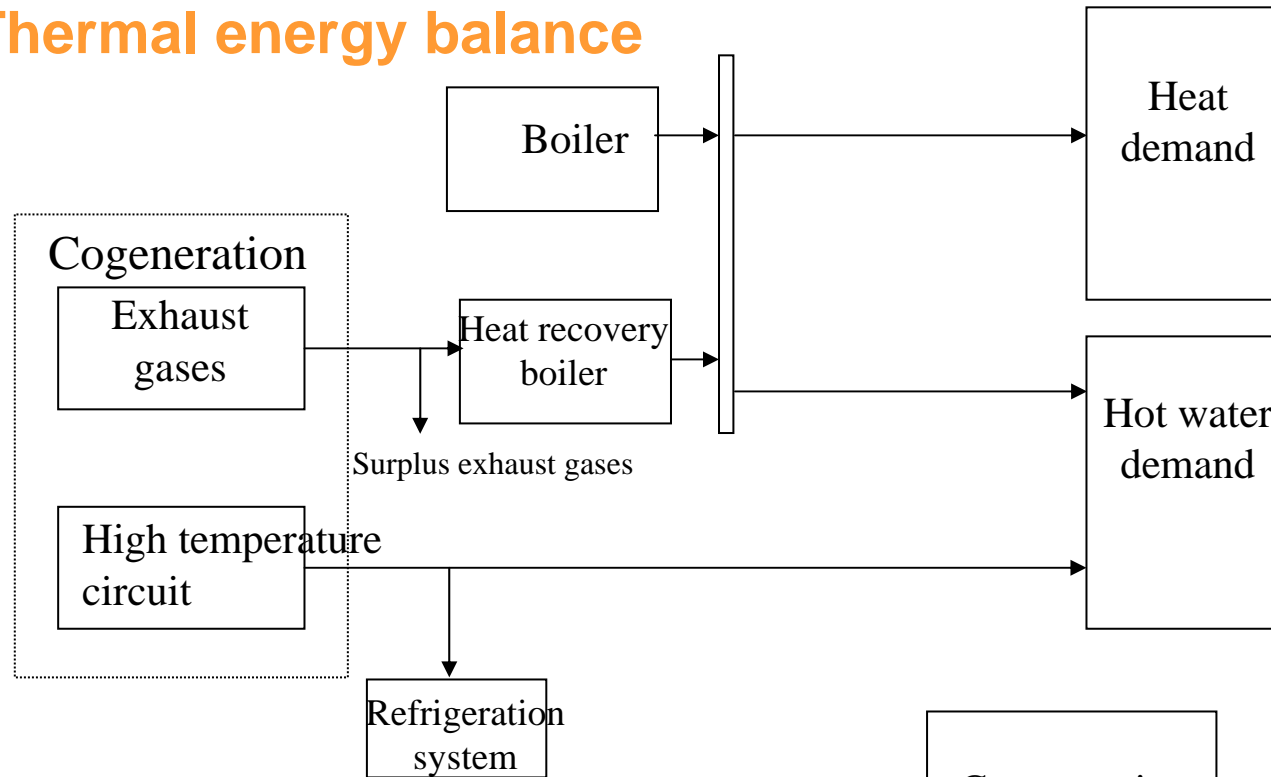
- ❑ Engine fed by natural gas
- ❑ Linear relation between gas consumption and: electricity, heat from exhaust gases, H.T. circuit
- ❑ Operation limits
- ❑ Special regime
- ❑ Costs:
  - ✓ Natural gas consumption
  - ✓ Operation cost per kWh of electricity generated
  - ✓ Yearly maintenance
- ❑ Simplifications:
  - ✓ Cost and time for startup and shutdown
  - ✓ Temperature and pressure variations



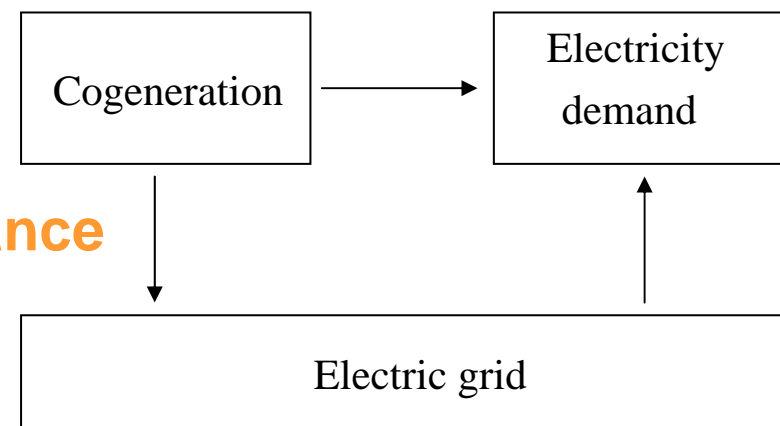
# DETERMINISTIC APPROACH

## Energy balance

### Thermal energy balance



### Electric energy balance





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# STOCHASTIC APPROACH

## General features

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### ❑ Deterministic approach

- ✓ Limited in uncertainty modeling

### ❑ Stochastic optimization

- ✓ Allows to take decisions explicitly considering the parameter uncertainty

### ❑ Risk sources for industrial consumers

- ✓ **Price risk**
- ✓ Quantity risk: system failure or demand fluctuations
- ✓ Other risks: credit and regulatory

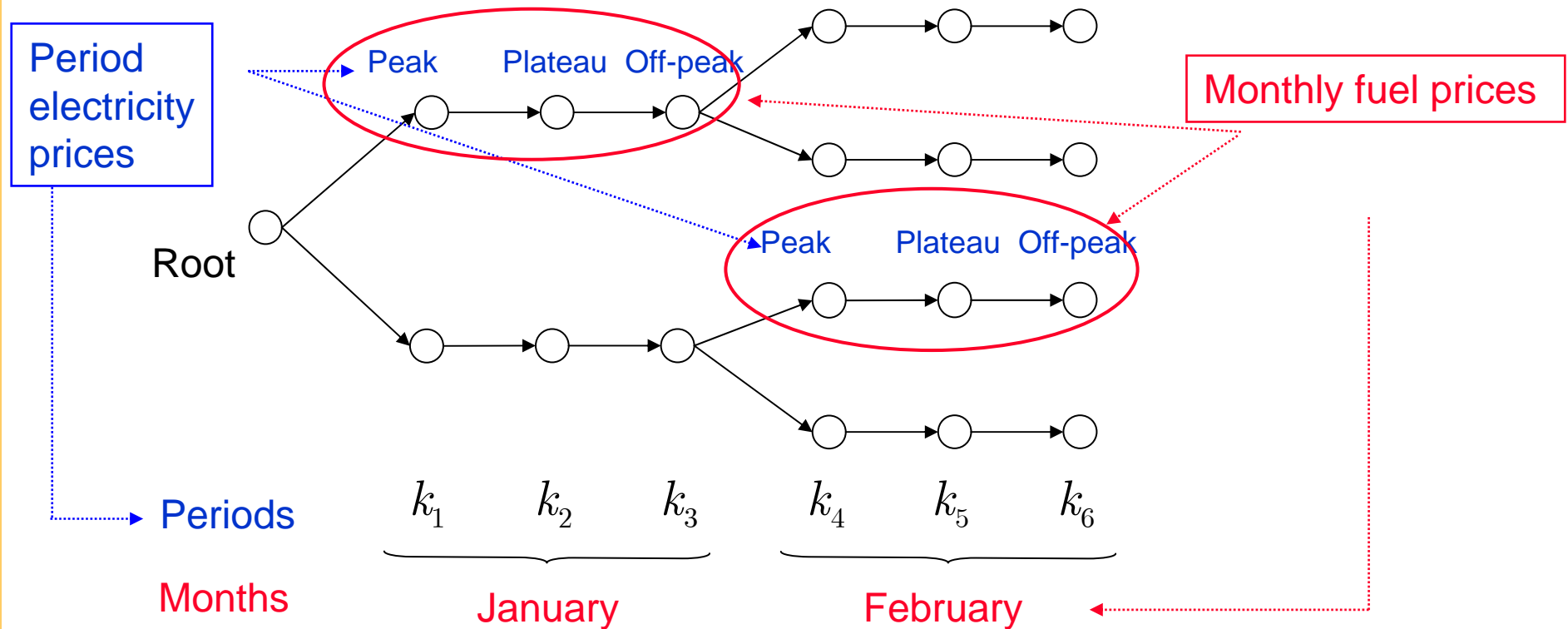


**Stochastic parameter: sale and purchase prices of electricity, natural gas and fuel oil**

# STOCHASTIC APPROACH

## Uncertainty modeling

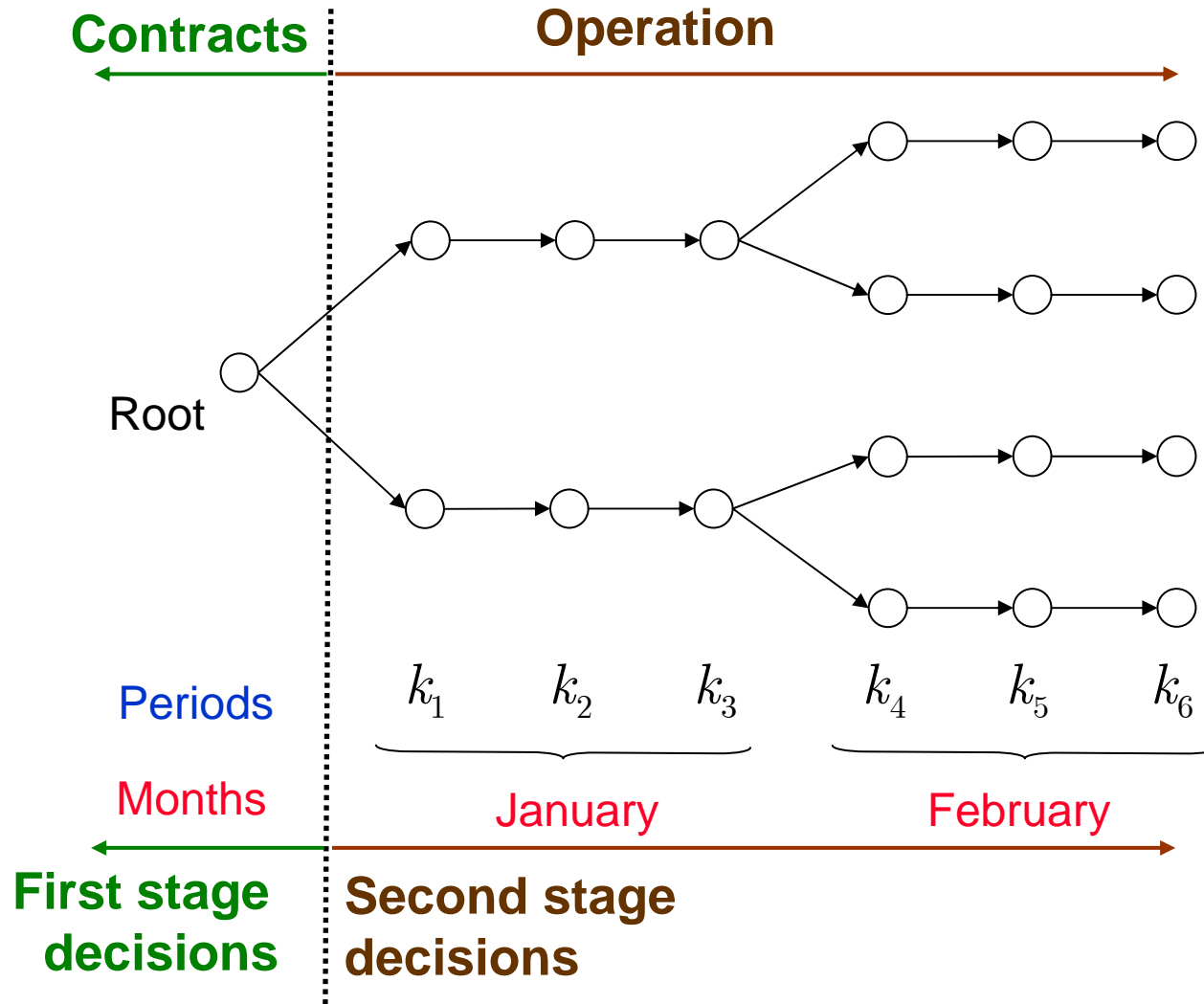
- Discrete representation of the uncertainty:  
scenario tree



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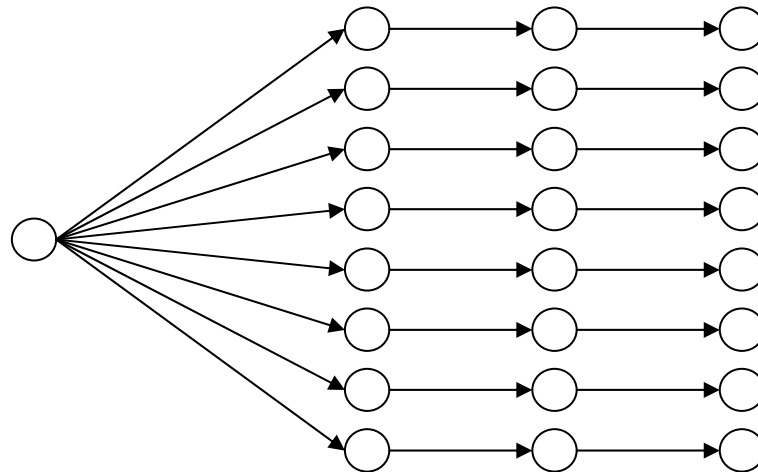
## Uncertainty modeling

### □ Two-stage model



# PRICE SCENARIO GENERATION

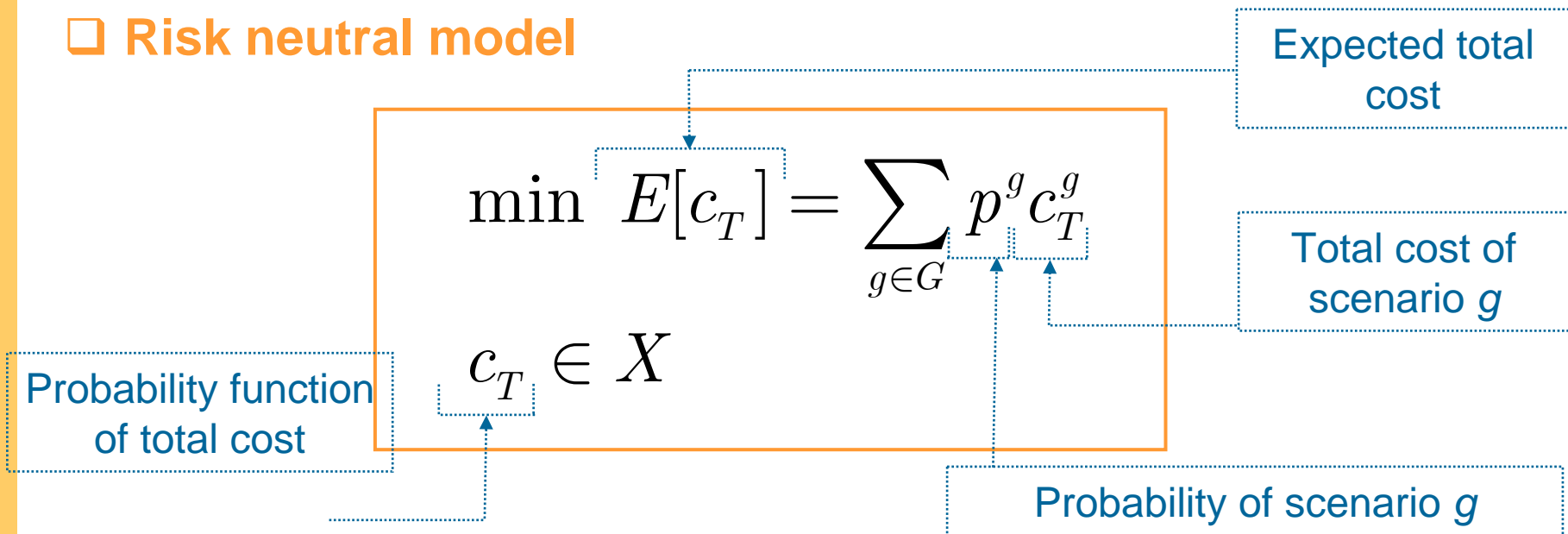
- ❑ **Scenarios for yearly prices of electricity, natural gas and fuel oil for industrial consumers**
  - ✓ Electricity prices for load levels
  - ✓ Monthly fuel prices
- ❑ **No significant correlation between the electricity and fuel prices in the Spanish energy market: independent forecasting algorithms**
- ❑ **Price series independent and equiprobable**



# STOCHASTIC APPROACH

## Risk neutral model

- ❑ **Total supply cost  $c_T^g$  for each scenario  $g$  :**
  - ✓ Contract cost for each scenario
  - ✓ Maintenance cost for each scenario
- ❑ **Constraints  $X$  : boiler and cogeneration operation, energy balance and contracts**
- ❑ **Risk neutral model**



# STOCHASTIC APPROACH

## Risk neutral model

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### ❑ Drawback

- Does not perform any risk management

### ❑ Solution

- **Multiobjective stochastic programming**
  - Balance among risk and expected cost
  - Efficient frontier: set of optimal solutions

### ❑ Risk definition for industrial consumers

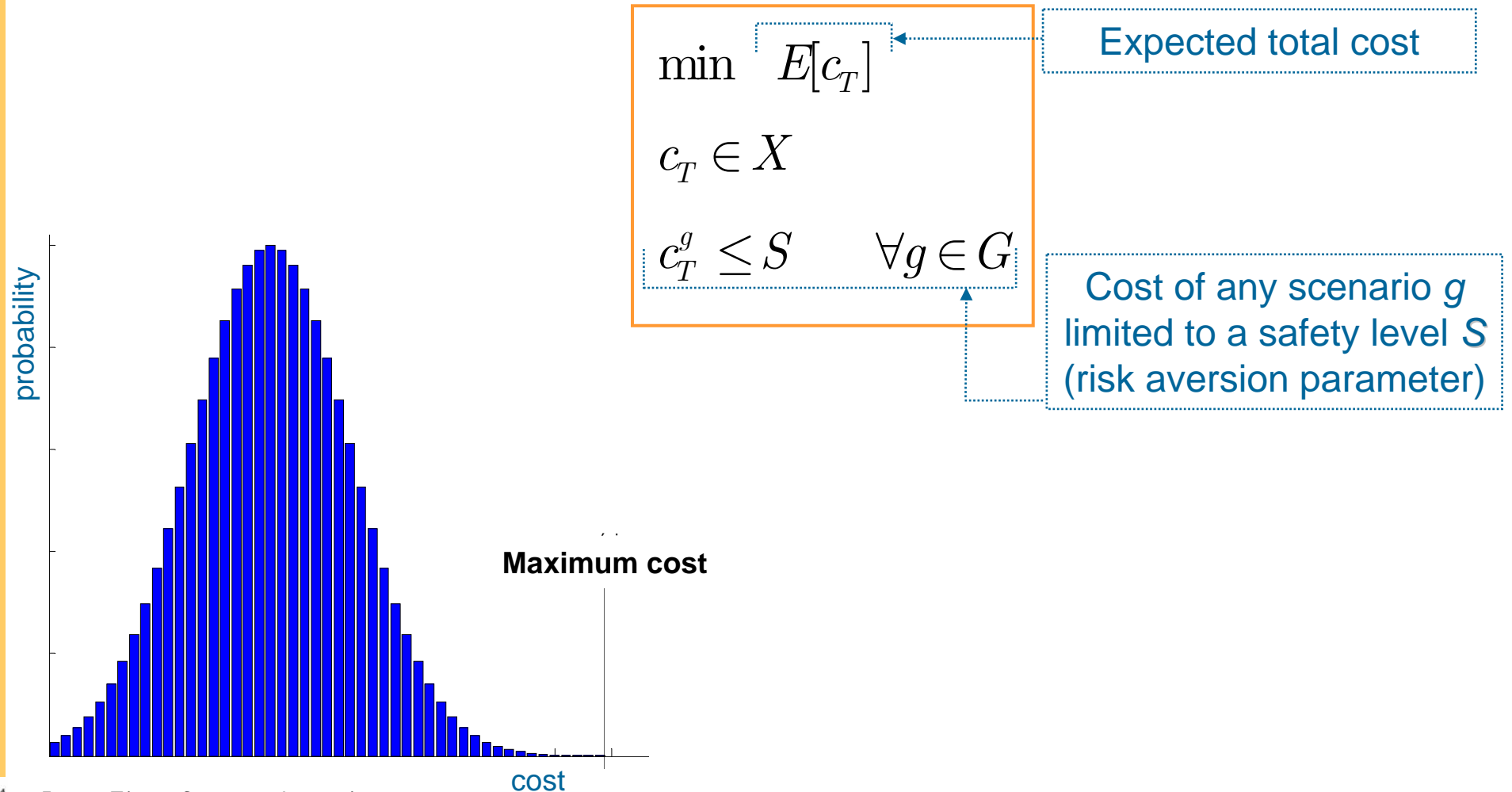
- **POSSIBILITY OF HIGH COSTS**

# STOCHASTIC APPROACH

## Safety-first model

### □ Risk measure

Maximum cost of the distribution

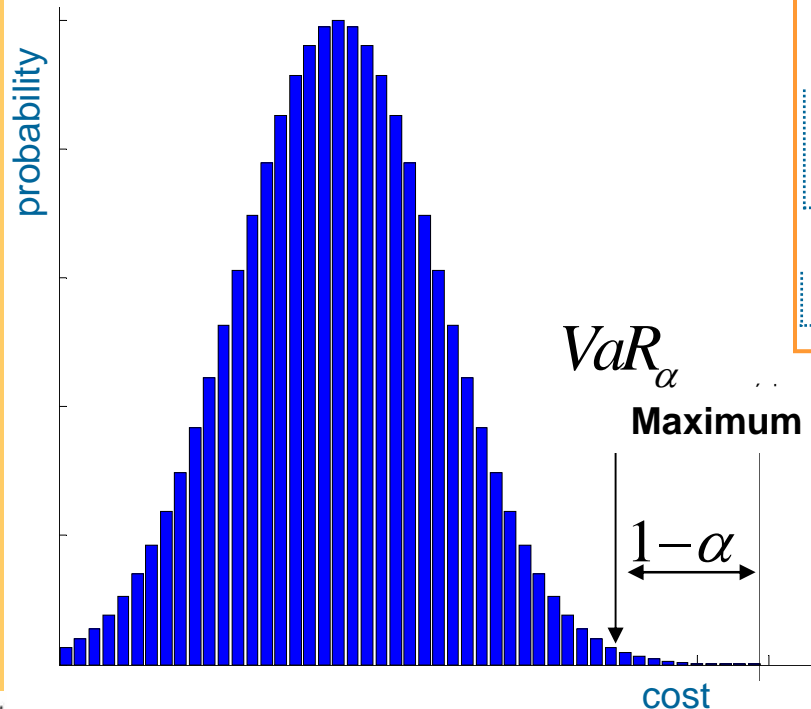


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## Value at Risk (VaR) model

### Risk measure

Maximum cost for a certain confidence level  $\alpha$



$$\min VaR_\alpha$$

$$c_T \in X$$

$$E[c_T] \leq S$$

$$\sum_{g \in G} p^g \delta^g \leq 1 - \alpha \quad \forall g \in G$$

$$c_T^g \leq VaR_\alpha + M \delta^g \quad \forall g \in G$$

**Risk measure**

**Expected cost limited by the risk aversion parameter S**

**Bounds the # of vars delta to the # of scenarios with value above VaR**

**Sets the VaR scenario**

**Auxiliary binary variable for each scenario g**

**Upper bound for any scenario**

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# NUMERICAL APPLICATION

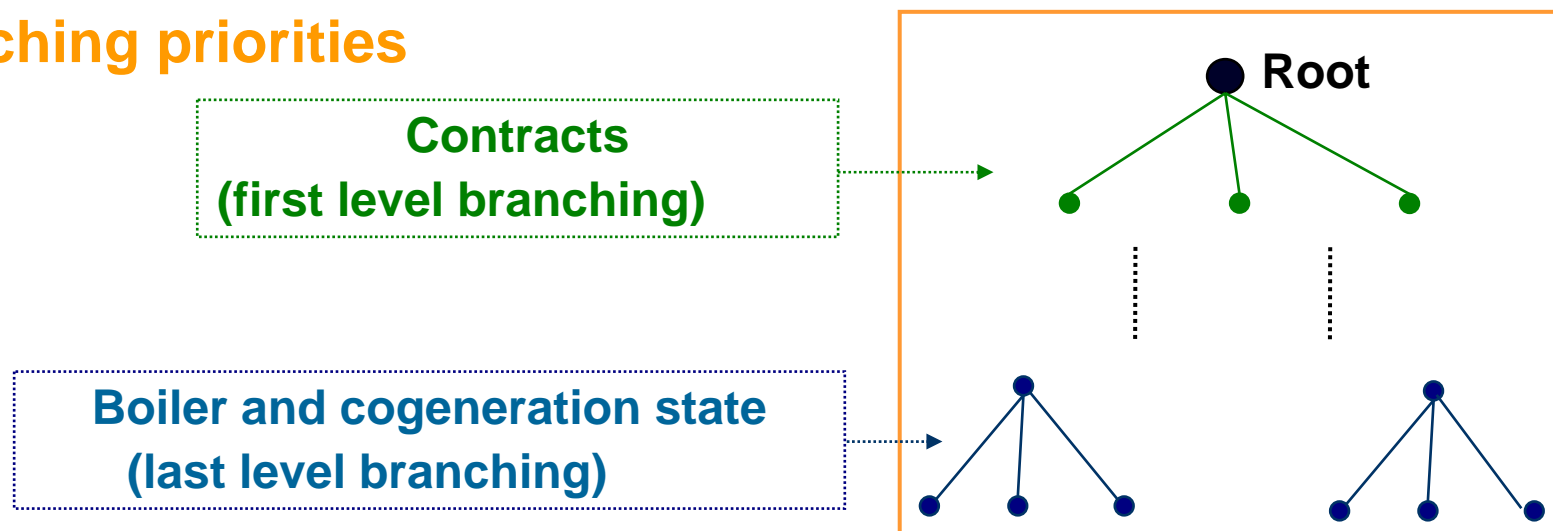
## Size and solution

❑ Coded in GAMS, solved by CPLEX 9.0

❑ Size

	Deterministic	Stochastic
Constraints	5.883	88.035
Variables	8.677	129.879
Binary	1.087	16.043
Non zero coef.	32.887	492.818

❑ Branch&Bound algorithm:  
branching priorities





# NUMERICAL APPLICATION

## Deterministic: Contracts for the 15 scenarios

### Portfolios of different contracts

#### CONTRACT COST [k€]

Scenario	Elect. (purchase)	Fuel oil	Natural gas	Elect. (sale)	Objective function
1		0.3	1024.5	827.3	658.0
2	30.4	50.9	903.3	754.0	650.6
3	0.3		1022.8	917.8	565.0
4		0.3	992.1	827.3	625.7
5		0.3	979.6	816.5	618.9
6	0.3		990.7	917.9	532.8
7		0.3	911.6	827.3	545.1
8		0.3	911.5	832.4	539.4
9	0.3		912.0	917.7	454.3
10		0.3	893.8	827.2	527.3
11		0.3	894.1	832.7	521.7
12	0.3		895.4	918.8	437.0
13		0.3	831.8	824.1	467.7
14		0.3	834.1	831.1	462.9
15	0.3		836.9	918.2	379.1

High fuel prices

Electricity price:

low

medium

high

Low fuel prices

Fixed price

Indexed fixed price

Contract for differences

Fixed price

Market price

Market price + collar

# NUMERICAL APPLICATION

## Stochastic: efficient frontier

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### □ Safety-first model

#### ✓ Obtaining the efficient frontier:

- **First iteration:** solve the risk neutral model to obtain max cost
- **Remaining iterations** (while the problem is feasible): decrease the risk aversion parameter

#### ✓ In each iteration we obtain:

- Optimal solutions for variables of both stages
- Different contract portfolios

### □ VaR model

#### ✓ Optimal solution for the first stage

#### ✓ Optimal solution for the second stage only for the VaR scenario

#### ✓ Drawbacks:

- Not always a different contract solution can be obtained when diminishing the risk aversion parameter
- Optimal plant operation difficult to obtain (not included in the o.f.)

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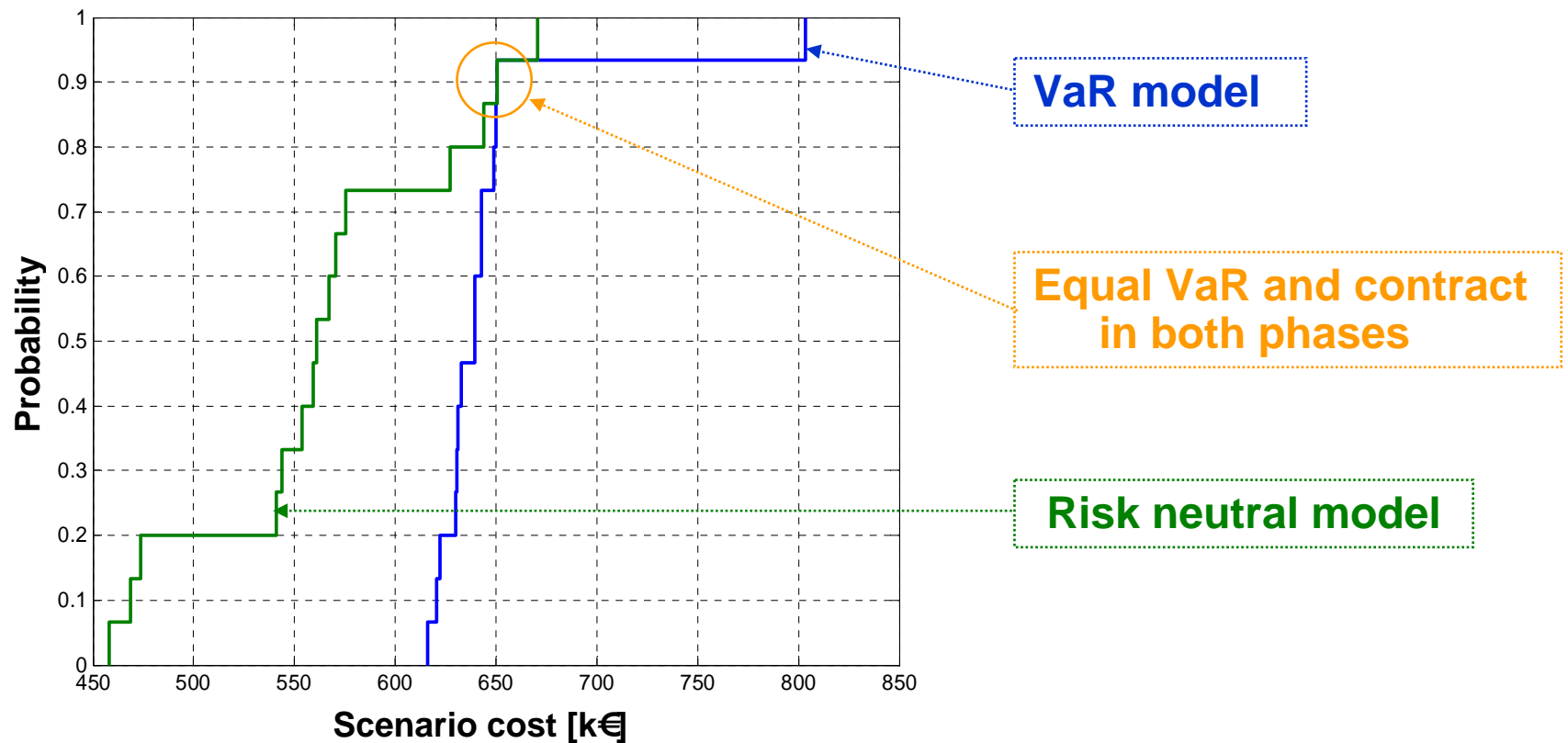
## Stochastic: Methodology to determine eff. frontier with VaR model

### □ Phase 1: Solving VaR models

- ✓ Determine contracts (**first stage variables**)

### □ Phase 2: Solving risk neutral models

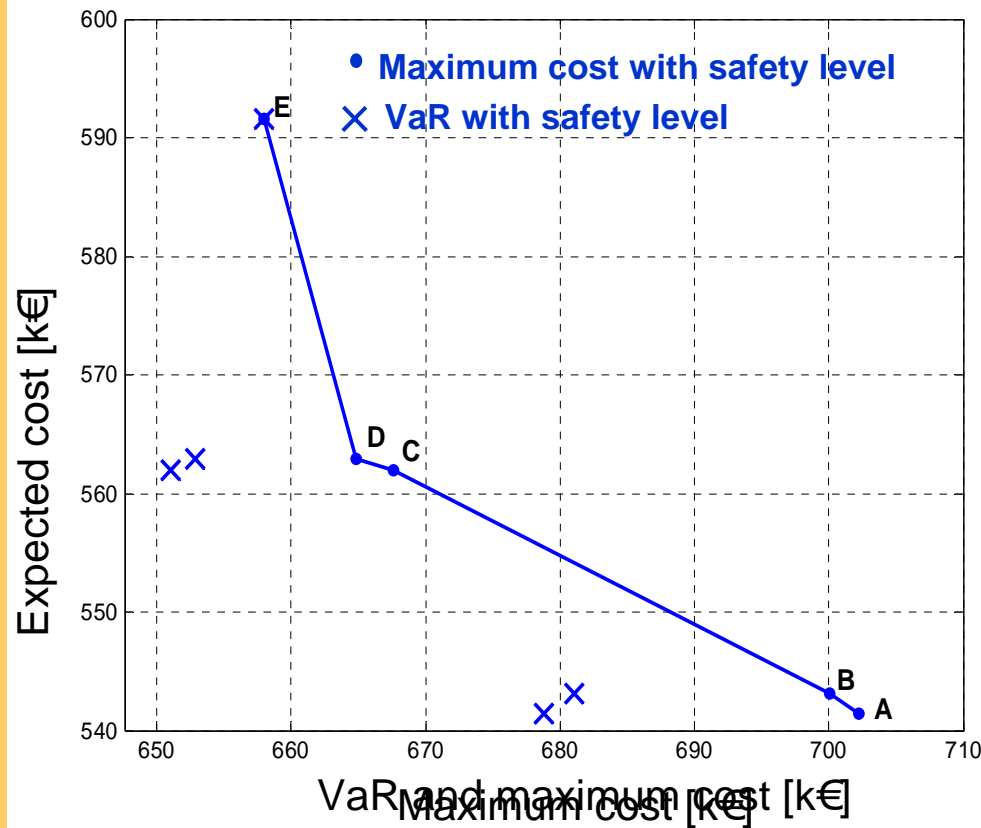
- ✓ Determine operation (**second stage variables**)



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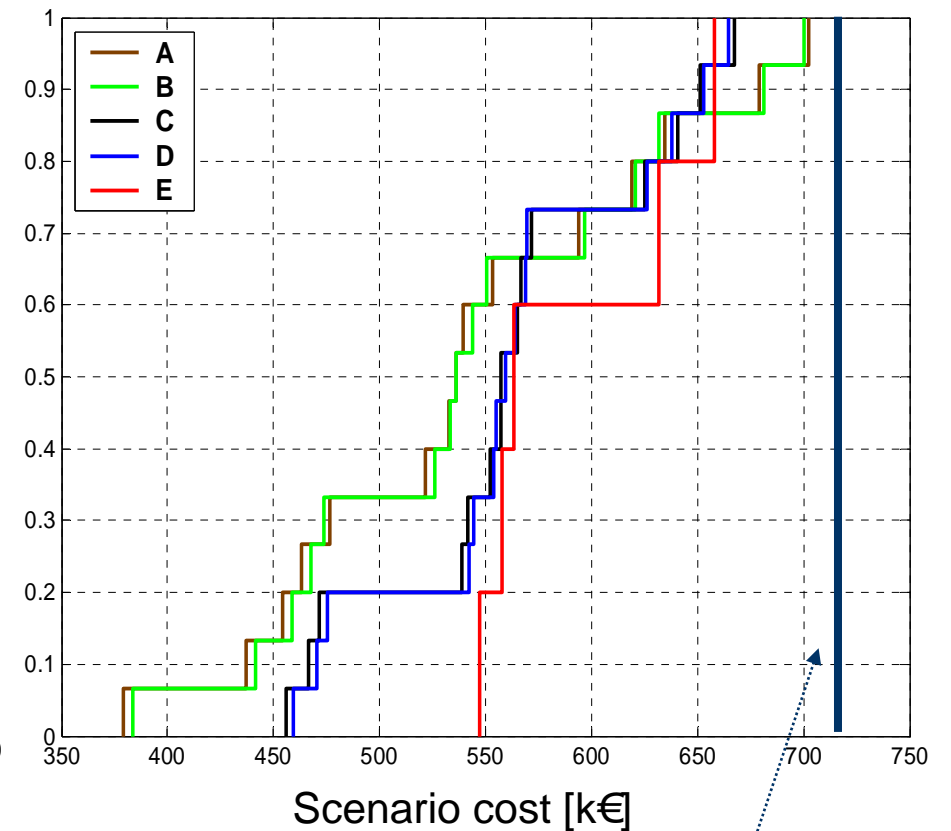
### □ Safety-first and VaR models (confidence level 0.9)



**Solution 1 = A**

**Solution 3 = C**

Distribution function. Safety-first model



**Fixed price contract**

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# CONCLUSIONS

## □ Applications:

### ✓ The tool developed allows the consumers to:

- Decrement the energy bill
- Control the assumed risk

### ✓ Other applications:

- Retailers: analysis of new contracting possibilities
- Factory design

## □ Optimization models:

	<b>Solution time (*)</b>	<b>Risk management</b>
<b>Deterministic</b>	Reduced (20 s)	Limited
<b>Safety-first level</b>	Reasonable (6 h)	Powerful, low flexibility
<b>VaR</b>	High (22 h)	Powerful, high flexibility

(\*) Pentium IV 3 GHz

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# FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

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## □ Extension of proposed models

- ✓ **Join optimization of several factories with interannual contracts: multistage stochastic programming**
- ✓ Different plant configuration
- ✓ New type of contracts

## □ Solution methods for MIP

- ✓ Analysis of matrix structure
- ✓ Decomposition techniques

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